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Examiner: Francisco Chandler Prats

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For:

COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR TREATING A POROUS ARTICLE AND USE

THEREOF

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of December 19, 2002, from March 19, 2003 to May 19, 2003.

A check for the statutory fee of \$410.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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